

YOUTHFUL PAGE STICKS TO STORY

Fourteen-Year-Old Boy Is Unshaken by Questions of Senators.

LOEFFLER HAS HEARING

He Is Accused by Little Witness of Having Taken Holst-law Paper.

Washington, March 14.—A Senate committee spent four hours to-day investigating charges made by Senator Gore that an assistant doorkeeper of the Senate, Carl A. Loeffler, had been responsible for the disappearance in 1911 of the Holst-law certificate of deposit, an incident which figured prominently in the trial of Senator Lorimer. For over two and a half hours of that time, a fourteen-year-old page, William W. Harris, faced the eight Senators present at the hearing, and sustained a severe examination which did not alter his assertion that he believed he had given the paper to Mr. Loeffler.

Mr. Loeffler, who took the stand late in the day, declared emphatically that he had not received the paper, which later disappeared. He said it had never been in his possession. After being produced in the Senate February 14, 1911, by Senator Cummins, it passed into the hands of other Senators, he said, and he never afterwards saw it or heard of it.

The boy, who stood the grilling of the Senate committee, was produced by Senator Gore. In his charges in the Senate yesterday against Mr. Loeffler, Senator Gore gave the page as his source of information. The boy, who was accompanied by his mother, said he had taken a paper from Senator Bailey during the latter's speech, had shown it to other Senators, and that as he started toward the desk with it, Mr. Loeffler intercepted him and took it from him.

Facts brought out by the examination indicated that the paper taken by the page might have been another document that Senator Bailey was exhibiting to the Senate. Attempts by Senator Gore to interrupt the testimony by suggestions were several times made of shary comment by Senator Dillingham. The investigation will not be resumed until the committee has been reorganized by the Democrats.

SPRING STYLES ARE ALL FREAKS

Directorate Silt Relieves Hobbles. Everything Bulgarian—"Wash-Rag" Popular.

Spring styles for women are the most freakish this season that have amazed the eye of man for many a year, according to models exhibited to a reporter for the Times-Dispatch by local dealers yesterday. The ubiquitous hobbles still are still there, only more so. Walking will be difficult for the most willow, and all but impossible for the most fat. But there is one gleam of hope on this score—the directorate effect is coming to the rescue.

The nearest thing to it that was seen off the stage last year, was a skirt with a purely artificial silt in the side, which was really sewed up underneath. In this year's models, the silt is all there, and closed by means of buttons. In New York, it is stated, the right way to wear them is unbuttoned, thereby displaying a flash of bright-colored Persian petticoat, and incidentally allowing more freedom of action.

The feature of the spring coats is the effect which the war in the East has had upon them; for everything that is stylish is Bulgarian. This means that the coats are very short, and trimmed in bright colors, applied in spots, dashes and streaks, rather than designs. The hats are all Bulgarian, small and brightly colored. They are decorated largely with flowers, which appear to the masculine eye to be applied in that artless manner in which wild flowers grow in the field.

The Bulgarian craze has indeed resulted in some startling effects, but what if Turkey had won? Would the buds have come out clad in pantaloons, like the women in the cigarette ads? The favorite material this year is Exponette, which is the same that is popularly known as "wash-rag" goods. The latter term is altogether a misnomer, however, as the stuff does not wash, and is the most expensive "rag" on the market, selling at \$2.50 a yard.

Evening gowns are all built in the long, slender, or "bed-slat" style, and are invariably in very bright colors. They are cut high in the neck, both for and aft; but all that which is above the waist is made of a sort of lace or network, on a pattern which might be termed the super-peckaboo.

The ordinary colors, such as pink, blue and green, are down and out, too. Crepe de chine, crepe meteor, prune, coral and violet are among the names of the new tints all of which must be seen to be realized.

To Relieve Rheumatism

the body-waste producing uric acid must be gradually arrested and the blood purified. Correct diet is essential. Abstain from tea and anything containing alcohol; eat meat only once a day and take SCOTT'S EMULSION after every meal.

SCOTT'S EMULSION is rich in blood-making qualities and makes new blood free from the poisonous products which irritate the joints and muscles; its wonderful powers relieve the enlarged, stiffened joints; and more, SCOTT'S EMULSION replaces body-weakness with sound body-strength by its concentrated nourishing properties.

Physicians everywhere prescribe SCOTT'S EMULSION for rheumatism.

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MYSTERY OF EATON'S DEATH IS INCREASED



REAR-ADMIRAL AND MRS. JOSEPH EATON.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Boston, Mass., March 14.—The mystery surrounding the death of Rear Admiral Joseph Eaton, retired, at West Norwell last Saturday, was increased to-day by a statement made by Alfred A. Barker, district attorney of Plymouth County, after he had received the secret report made by Professor William F. Whitney, of Harvard University, giving the result of his examination of the stomach of Admiral Eaton.

A physician was called to attend Mrs. Jennie M. Eaton, wife of the dead admiral, this afternoon. Mrs. George Harrison, Mrs. Eaton's mother, is also ill at her daughter's home, and the nature of the illness of the two women is closely guarded.

State detectives scoured the drug stores of all surrounding towns in an effort to find suspicious poison sales. District Attorney Barker made his first public statement to-day, when he said:

"This case is most serious. Other than that I can say no more at present."

Professor Whitney admitted that he had made his report regarding whether he found traces of poison in the stomach of Admiral Eaton, the district attorney and refused to disclose the result of the analysis.

It was learned to-day that Admiral Eaton borrowed a gun from a neighbor a short time ago, saying:

"If that skunk shows himself around here I will kill him."

MAKE GOOD MARK ON INSPECTION

Blues' Battalion Highly Praised, All Companies Being in Fine Condition.

With two absentees each, Companies C and D, Richmond Light Infantry Blues, assembled last night at the armory for the annual inspection. Captain J. K. Partello, Fifth Infantry, U. S. A., inspector-general, assigned to the Virginia volunteers, was the inspecting officer. Colonel C. A. Dempsey, U. S. A., retired, was an interested spectator.

Of sixty enlisted men in Company C, fifty-eight were in attendance. One absentee is now in South America. Company D had fifty-seven men on the floor. Both absentees were out of the city on furloughs.

All officers were present, as follows: Captain Percy Montague, Jr., First Lieutenant James McGraw, Jr., and Second Lieutenant Marion S. Hewett, Company C; Captain John A. Cutchins, First Lieutenant J. C. Hutchison and Second Lieutenant J. G. Earnest, Company D. Battalion headquarters, the band and Companies A and B were inspected Thursday night by Captain Partello. Two members of the former company were absent and six of the latter.

The equipment of the battalion was in splendid condition. The uniforms were up to the mark, with the exception of the olive drab service caps. It was recommended that these be replaced by the latest model, Company D is partially equipped with the new headgear. Captain Partello spent the day inspecting the equipment in the armory. He was assisted by Sergeant W. M. Gray, of the United States Army, who arrived here Thursday morning, to begin a three-year tour of duty with the Virginia militia.

Building Permits. Building and repair permits were issued yesterday as follows:

Three-story and dwelling on the east side of Brook Avenue, between Duval and Norfolk Streets, to cost \$1,000.

Elbert T. Davis, to erect one frame store and dwelling on the north side of Spring Street, between Pine and Laurel Streets, to cost \$1,000.

D. W. Shreeve, to erect three frame tenements, six dwellings on the east side of Meadow Street, between Chaffin and Beverly Streets, to cost \$10,000.

Prominent Lawyer Dead. W. J. Montgomery, of Marion, S. C., died early yesterday morning in a private sanitarium on East Grace Street after a long illness. His remains were taken to South Carolina last night and will be buried at his home. Following a severe illness, Mr. Montgomery was brought to Richmond to be placed under the care of specialists on January. The members of his family were at his bedside when he died. Mr. Montgomery was a well-known lawyer of Marion.

BOARD MEETING HERE TO-NIGHT

Travelers' Protective Association Will Discuss Plans for Big Convention in June.

The State board of directors of the Virginia Division, Travelers' Protective Association, will discuss plans for holding the national convention of that organization here in June at a meeting to be held at the headquarters of Post A to-night. Members of Post A will confer with the directors with regard to the arrangements.

The board will also receive the report of the special committee which appeared before the State Corporation Commission in reference to excess baggage charges. Plans for the entertainment of the State convention, which will be held in Lynchburg May 8, 9 and 10, will be approved by the board.

National Director Alexander McQuillan, of Philadelphia, will be the guest of the board, and will spend next week visiting the fourteen posts throughout the State, accompanied by Secretary Hurwood and Directors Sales, Johnson, Williams, Boatwright and Hancock. The following are the officers of the Virginia Division: R. Barksdale, Portsmouth, president; H. L. Hargrave, Richmond, secretary and treasurer; R. W. Spillman, Richmond, first vice-president; Joseph Stebbins, South Boston, second vice-president; bodies of directors—W. K. Bache, C. D. Coleman, E. D. Quarles, B. H. Randolph, Richmond; J. O. Boatwright, Danville; D. W. Sale, Lynchburg; F. S. Hancock, Norfolk; J. Y. Williams, Alexandria; T. S. Beckwith, an aged dealer in second-hand clothing and real estate operator, who died recently in Brunswick, N. J., leaving an estate estimated at \$200,000.

Marks was about ninety years old and had lived in a dingy room over his little store for more than forty years. He leaves a widow, eighty-seven years old. He was known as a "buckskin" because of his "Moxie," and was regarded as a miser.

A few days before his death Mr. Marks sold a piece of property in New Brunswick for \$35,000. It is said he had over \$50,000 in his bank and home and valuable securities were found concealed in the pockets of old clothing.

LANE IS NOW LONE CHIEF. Indians Give Secretary of the Interior Honored Tribal Name.

Washington, March 14.—Franklin K. Lane, Secretary of the Interior, has been made an Indian chief. Yesterday in his office he had bestowed upon him the title of "Lone Chief" by a delegation of Blackfoot Indians from Montana, who called to give him a pipe of peace and a buckskin tobacco bag.

After handing the pipe to the secretary chief, Mr. Lane, a tall and heavily-built man, said: "I am glad to see you, Lone Chief. Hereafter we will call you 'Lone Chief.' That was the name of our most famous chief. You will be 'Lone Chief' to us now."

Then turning to Mr. Abbott, Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs, he said: "And you, too, must have an Indian name. You are short of stature; so we will call you 'Little Chief.'"

TO ABOLISH FREE LUNCH. Connecticut Legislature Is Expected to Pass a Bill.

Hartford, March 14.—A bill to abolish the free lunch in Connecticut was reported favorably in the House by the Committee on Public Health and Safety. Such a measure has been defeated in previous legislatures, but this one is expected to pass.

The health authorities say such a measure would result in the decrease in certain diseases which are directly traceable to the use of food. The bill is expected to be passed by the House by a large margin.

Officials of the Board of Charities, who got Mrs. Blundy on her way back to New York, are rather glad, they say, that she has left, for it was by giving them the slip that she was able to make her second excursion to the White House.

An agent of the Board of Charities caught up with her just as she was sending her small son in the door of the executive offices, and the agent persuaded Mrs. Blundy to go to Union Station, take a train for New York, and leave her case in the hands of the authorities.

The boy had been primed with a tale calculated to move all in authority, so that neither policeman, usher, nor caretaker at the White House would interfere with his getting in to see the President.

Qualifies to Practice. Leo P. Hanlon, of Alexandria, qualified yesterday to practice in the Law and Equity Court.

VERIFIES HIS DEATH VISION. Miner Has Premonition He Will Be Killed, but Foretold It.

Pottsville, Pa., March 14.—Peter Stragin, a miner, employed at the Oak Hill colliery, near here, had a premonition that he would meet with a fatal accident when he went to work, but his fellow-workmen told him that he was needlessly worrying.

Soon after he started work he was struck by a fall of coal and crushed so badly that his death occurred a short time later.

SHORT DAY FOR ANIMALS. Bill Offered to Limit Their Work to Twelve Hours.

Harrisburg, Pa., March 14.—A bill has been introduced in the House by John McClintock, of Philadelphia, prohibiting any person allowing any horse, mule or ox to work

How About You? Why Not Enter To Day?

Seventy-Five Prizes Are to Be Awarded April 12. Eleven Autos Among the Prizes.

Is Your Name on the Times-Dispatch's List of Candidates?—If it is not, you are in danger of letting one of the finest opportunities of a lifetime slip by you. Suppose you fill out a nomination blank and send it to us to-day. Just by doing this you will be started in the \$20,000 Subscription Contest with 1,000 votes to your credit, and will have placed yourself in line for the richest rewards ever offered by a newspaper to a pleased public.

WORK FOR FOUR WEEKS. You have almost four weeks in which to work for the prizes. If you have not entered your name as a candidate so far, why not try the following plan? Send in Your Nomination To-Day and set out to win one of the prizes. That will occupy your time for about four weeks.

EACH SUBSCRIPTION A STEP UP. Look upon each subscription you secure as a step from a lower to a higher branch. A year's subscription swings you clear above where you were before. Make it a rule to look down every night upon the branch you stood on in the morning. April 12th is not so very far off, and you must do all your climbing before that time. Do you think you can reach the Kline Car on that day? You can if you try.

PLENTY OF ROOM FOR YOU. There's plenty of room for you. It takes SEVENTY-FIVE PEOPLE to win SEVENTY-FIVE PRIZES, and we have that many to give away.

Why should you suppose that there are more than seventy-five candidates entered in this contest who are brighter, more enthusiastic and more energetic than yourself?

There is more than one good reason for you to enter the contest at once. The most urgent is that you should see your friends before some one else does. It is so easy to persuade people to take The Times-Dispatch at the reduced contest prices that nine times in ten the person who first asks for a subscription will get it.

Remember that you do not have to secure new subscribers. The renewal of an old subscription will count you just as many votes.

You can secure subscriptions anywhere. You are not confined to your own district in getting subscriptions.

SOME ARE PUZZLED. If you have been pleased with the list of prizes, and still feel a little doubtful about entering, it is a wise step to call on us at the Contest Department, Room 413, Times-Dispatch Building, and let us tell you how to set about winning the prize you want.

The pictures of active candidates will be published from day to day. Candidates will confer a favor by sending their photographs to the Contest Department.

The carriers of The Times-Dispatch make about the same profit on subscriptions that are paid to candidates or to the office in the Great Prize Contest as they would if the subscriptions were paid directly to the carriers by the subscribers.

The contest greatly benefits the carriers as the additional subscribers increase the carriers' profits, and they continue to make about their usual profit on their present subscribers who pay in advance on the contest.

A DAILY NECESSITY. Already The Times-Dispatch is read and liked in thousands and thousands of homes. We are glad of this, but it does not satisfy our ambition. What we want is to see The Times-Dispatch a daily necessity in every home within a large radius. This should also be the ambition of every candidate. See into how many homes you can introduce The Times-Dispatch.

\$30 GOLD WATCH. A \$30 Gold Watch will be given to every candidate who secures \$60 in subscriptions and does not win another prize.

BIG REDUCTION IN SUBSCRIPTION PRICES DURING CONTEST. Agents cannot give these reduced rates. Subscriptions at these prices must be given to candidates in the contest or sent to the Contest Department. Nominate a candidate if you do not know one.

ABSOLUTELY NO CHANGE IN VOTING SCHEDULE. Votes Issued on Subscriptions According to the Following Scale.

DECLINING VOTE SCALE. Daily and Sunday Times-Dispatch. Big vote days—February 24 to March 22—the following votes will be given for subscriptions to the Daily and Sunday Times-Dispatch:

	Carrier.	Mail.	Votes.
Six months.....	\$2.86	\$2.50	800
One year.....	5.72	5.00	2,000

Second vote period—March 24 to April 6: Six months..... \$2.86 \$2.50 700 One year..... 5.72 5.00 1,800

Last week—April 7 to April 12: Six months..... \$2.86 \$2.50 600 One year..... 5.72 5.00 1,600

DECLINING VOTE SCALE. Sunday Times-Dispatch. Big vote days—February 24 to March 22—the following votes will be given for subscriptions to the Sunday Times-Dispatch:

	Carrier.	Mail.	Votes.
Six months.....	\$1.30	\$1.00	200
One year.....	2.60	2.00	400

Second vote period—March 24 to April 6: Six months..... \$1.30 \$1.00 150 One year..... 2.60 2.00 300

Last week—April 7 to April 12: Six months..... \$1.30 \$1.00 100 One year..... 2.60 2.00 200

The Schedules of Votes printed above will not be altered or changed in any way, and NO extra offer will be made for votes during this contest. No subscription for a longer period than one year will be accepted.

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Nomination Blank Good for 1,000 Votes. The Times-Dispatch Subscription Contest.

Name..... Address..... Phone No..... Only one nomination blank for each candidate will count as 1,000 votes.

Cut Out and Send to Contest Department.

AUTOMOBILE CONTEST

Nomination Blank Good for 1,000 Votes. The Times-Dispatch Subscription Contest.

Name..... Address..... Phone No..... Only one nomination blank for each candidate will count as 1,000 votes.

more than twelve hours a day in cities of the first and second classes. Fine and imprisonment are provided as penalties for violation of the act.

WASHINGTON GETS DESERTER MAY BE GIVEN PARDON

Herbert Ward, Famous Sculptor, Makes Gift to Smithsonian Institute.

[Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.] Paris, March 14.—Herbert Ward, the famous sculptor of negroes, has decided to make a gift to his magnificent collections of trophies of the Stanley expedition and geological documents of the African stone age to the Smithsonian Institute in Washington. The gift was arranged by Mr. Ward and his friend, Thomas Nelson Page, when the sculptor visited Washington recently.

The precise time when the collection is to be turned over is left to Mr. Ward. The donor is a most romantic character, and is the hero of E. Hopkinson Smith's novel, "The Arm Chair at the Inn." He is the sole surviving officer of the Stanley expedition which went to Africa in search of Emin Pasha.

On his return from the Emin Pasha hunt he married Miss Sanford, of New York, a daughter of C. H. Sanford, the Pierpont Morgan of Argentina. The wards are now living in Paris, and have a country home at Colichole, the Seine.

Ward's first artistic success began with his sculpture of the figure of a Congo boy, which he presented to a friend, the painter Aston Knight, of Philadelphia. Knight sent it to the Salon, where it won a medal and was bought by the Luxembourg. Ward's gallery collection contains African spears, anuets, swords, tools and the entire record of man during the African stone age. Among the Stanley relics are watch, pipes and speaking-drums, by which the natives telegraphed over miles of distance. There are also relics of Livingstone and Emin Pasha. The collection contains all of Ward's original statues and busts.

Negro Found Dead. [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Louisville, Va., March 14.—Joe Reynolds, the colored blacksmith of Louisa, Va., found dead near the railroad track about half a mile below here yesterday. He is supposed to have been killed by the Chesapeake and Ohio train, as there were several wounds on his head. He is supposed to have been in condition the evening before on his way to his home, and is supposed to have fallen on the track.

SMITH & WEBSTER Have Moved to 805 East Main Street (In Old C. & O. Building). Diamonds, Watches, Jewelry, Opticians.